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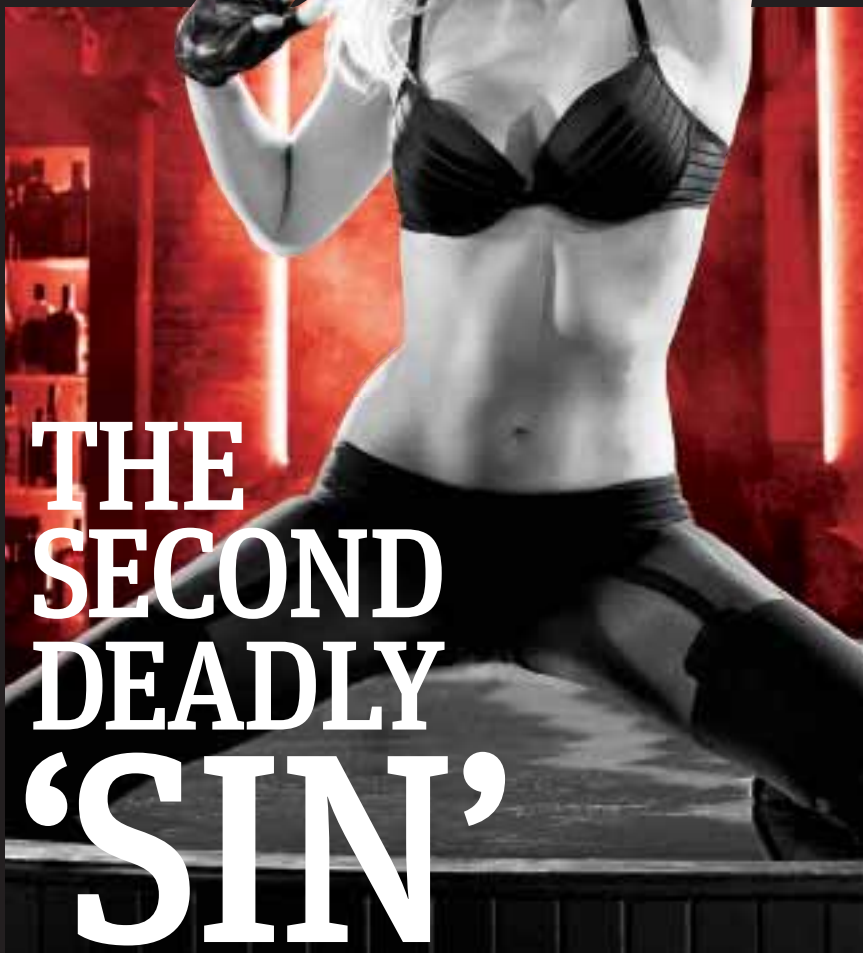
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City, religious leaders meet to discuss Garner

Manhattan. Mayor De Blasio and Bill Bratton met with a group hosted by Cardinal Dolan to discuss the death of the Staten Island man.

Local religious leaders met on Wednesday with Mayor Bill de Blasio to discuss what the interfaith community can do to help dial down heightened tensions in the wake of Eric Gar-

ner's death while in police custody.

For the mayor, the discussion was about more than the circumstances that led to the Staten Island resident's death.

"We want this to be a transcendent moment for the city," de Blasio said.

Hosted by Cardinal Timothy Dolan, the two-hour meeting also included Police Commissioner Bill Bratton and the Rev. Al Sharpton.

Unlike a roundtable at City Hall last month where Sharpton and Bratton flanked the mayor in an intense discussion about



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policing methods, Wednesday's group focused on the role religious institutions can play in bridging the gap between residents and police.

"We have learned from the mistakes and crises of

the past and we will learn from this crisis as we go forward," Bratton said.

Sharpton, who spent Sunday in Missouri to support the family of teenager Michael Brown after he was shot by police, dismissed concerns that a march planned on Saturday in Staten Island for Garner would bring violence like that in Ferguson.

"If it ever were to occur, we would stop it and not tolerate it," he said. "There is a difference between thugs and activists. We're activists. We're not thugs, and we will not harbor thugs."

Upcoming march

The Aug. 23 march will caravan protestors across the Verrazano Bridge to the Tompkinsville neighborhood where Garner was arrested for allegedly selling loose cigarettes.

- Eyewitness video showed plainclothes officer Daniel Pantaleo wrap his arm around Garner's neck.



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Manhattan. Crumbs may make comeback

Sweet-toothed shoppers who truly miss Crumbs Bake Shop might be in for a treat.

On Tuesday, entrepreneur and CNBC host Marcus Lemonis put in an uncontested bid for the recently shuttered company for \$6.5 million.

The television host's company, Lemonis Fischer Acquisition Co., is expected to appear in front of a New Jersey bankruptcy court on Aug. 26 — the final step before the struggling cupcake company might begin to reopen doors.

"#willworkforcrumbs see you soon!!" Lemonis tweeted early Wednesday.

The original Crumbs owners set up their first shop in Manhattan's Upper West Side more than a decade ago, blowing up to 49 locations in 10

states by 2014 — all of which suddenly shuttered their doors and let go of hundreds of employees on July 7.

One of the largest businesses of its kind, the chain became a publicly traded business in 2011 and planned at the time to open 200 locations by 2014.

It's unclear when stores might reopen if the judge approves the bid, but Lemonis and his partners have already committed to offering more than just the famed cupcakes.

"While I'm a fan of the cupcake I don't believe any business can make it singularly on one product," Lemonis said. He has announced his interest in also selling pies, cookies, ice cream, cakes and more.

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Crumbs Bake Shop went out of business in July. / GETTY IMAGES

Queens

Police nab shooter suspected of killing father

A man suspected of shooting and killing his dad in a domestic dispute late Tuesday was arrested minutes later, police said.

Langley Bruce, 55, was found dead at the wheel of a car in Queens with a gunshot wound to his chest after cops arrested his son.

Three plainclothes officers were on patrol in Jamaica in an unmarked car when they said they heard a single gunshot at 10:32 p.m. They responded to

the intersection of 143th Street and 119th Avenue when they noticed Anthony Guyton, 37, with a loaded semi-automatic 9mm handgun in his right hand.

The cops approached Guyton. He dropped the gun and was arrested without incident.

With Guyton secured,

authorities said the police looked in the car and found his father's body.

It remains unclear what led to the dispute. Cops consider the case ongoing.

Guyton was charged with second-degree murder and two counts of criminal possession of a firearm.

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City declares 'Al Roker' day

Mayor Bill de Blasio went on the "Today" show on Wednesday morning to deliver a proclamation to the famous weatherman on his 60th birthday, declaring "Al Roker Appreciation Day" throughout the city.

"The people of this city love you, and all of America loves you," the mayor said.

Roker, a Queens native, has been the weatherman at the "Today" show since 1996 when he took over for Willard Scott.

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Al Roker / GETTY IMAGES

Manhattan. Bill bans anonymous attack ads



The purpose of the bills is to bring more transparency to the election process. / GETTY IMAGES

The New York City Council is expected to vote on Thursday on legislation that would ban anonymous attack ads in political campaigns.

One of the two bills makes it so all election communications have a line that identifies what campaign or candidate paid for an ad.

All ads, print or broadcast, would require something not unlike the, "this advertisement was paid for by" disclaimer already used in other positive political ads.

"If candidates and independent expenditures

are required to own up to their political speech, that speech will fairly be a reflection on them," Councilman and bill sponsor Dan Garodnick said.

A second bill would demand more detailed disclosures of third-party ads, handouts and robocalls.

The bill's sponsor, Councilman Brad Lander, said last year's election had particularly nasty ads.

"Many were viciously hostile, or in some cases racially divisive, something that was encouraged by the fact that they were effectively anonymous," he wrote. **CHESTER JESUS SORIA**

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Manhattan. Macy's to pay \$650K to resolve 'shop-and-frisk' case

Macy's has agreed to pay \$650,000 to New York's attorney general and install a monitor to resolve allegations that its security personnel targeted minority shoppers.

New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman, whose office investigated several complaints from customers of the company's flagship store in Midtown, also said Macy's would adopt new anti-profiling policies, improve training and designate a compliance expert to report to the attorney general's office for the next three years.

The deal comes a week after Schneiderman's office reached a \$525,000 agreement with Barneys New York to resolve similar "shop-and-frisk" allegations from minority customers.

"It is absolutely

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The complaints included a lawsuit filed by actor Rob Brown of HBO's "Treme."

- "Our company's policies strictly prohibit any form of discrimination or racial profiling and any occurrence of such behavior will not be tolerated in our organization," the company said.

unacceptable — and it's illegal — for anyone in New York to be treated like a criminal simply because of the color of their skin," Schneiderman said.

In a statement, Macy's said it has also reached settlements in principle with various shoppers who filed state and federal lawsuits alleging discrimination. **REUTERS**



Snow leopard cubs are on the prowl

Two snow leopard cubs are on the prowl at the Bronx Zoo. The two male leopards were born in May to first-time parents. They are settling into the zoo's Himalayan Highlands exhibit with their mother, frolicking between its rocks and branches. An endangered species, snow leopards are few and far in the wild. Native to parts of mountainous Asia, there are estimated to be between 3,500 and 7,500 roaming free worldwide. / JULIE LARSEN MAHER, WILDLIFE CONSERVATION SOCIETY

Manhattan

Met Opera dispute comes to an end

The curtain will rise on Mozart's "Le Nozze di Figaro" next month at the Metropolitan Opera after a deal was reached Wednesday with the third of its three largest unions, averting a threatened lockout.

Among the provisions was the hiring of an independent analyst to monitor the Met's budget, according to The Local 1 of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees.

"This wasn't easy," Matthew Loeb, the union's international president. The unions had balked at cuts being asked of them, saying management should also curtail spending on new productions.

The Met said it now expected rehearsals for the new season, due to open Sept. 22, to continue without stoppages.

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Obama condemns Foley beheading

Islamic State.

After the president vowed to protect U.S. citizens, the Pentagon verified 14 air strikes in Iraq.



A screen grab from the beheading video. / YOUTUBE

Attempts made

US tried but failed to rescue Foley, hostages

The U.S. military earlier this year carried out an attempt to rescue James Foley and other American hostages held in Syria, a U.S. official said Wednesday, in an operation that the Pentagon said ultimately failed to find the captives. **REUTERS**

and explosives.

Islamic State posted a video on Tuesday that purported to show the beheading of journalist James Foley in revenge for U.S. air strikes in Iraq.

U.S. officials said on Wednesday that intelligence analysts had concluded that the video, titled "A Message to America," was authentic.

It also showed images of another U.S. journalist, Steven Sotloff, whose fate the group said depends on how the United States acts in Iraq.

Obama called the beheading of Foley "an act of violence that shocked the conscience of the entire world" and said the militants had killed innocent civilians, subjected women and children to torture, rape and slavery and targeted Muslims, Christians and religious minorities. **REUTERS**

President Barack Obama expressed revulsion on Wednesday at the beheading of an American journalist by Islamist militants and vowed the United States would do what it must to protect its citizens as international condemnation of the insurgents grew.

Not long after Obama called Islamic State a "cancer" with a bankrupt ideology, the Pentagon said U.S. aircraft conducted 14 air strikes in the vicinity of Iraq's Mosul Dam, destroying or damaging militants' trucks

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Holder in Missouri as prosecutors start presenting evidence

Investigation.

The attorney general arrived in the racially charged town as protests raged on.

Attorney General Eric Holder was visiting Ferguson, Missouri, on Wednesday, hours after nearly 50 protesters were arrested in the 11th straight night of demonstrations over the killing of an unarmed black teenager by a white police officer.

The St. Louis County prosecutor's office also began presenting evidence on Wednesday to a regularly seated grand jury investigating the Aug. 9 shooting death of 18-year-old



Attorney General Eric Holder talks with Capt. Ron Johnson, right, of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. / GETTY IMAGES

Michael Brown.

Prosecuting attorney Bob McCulloch said his office could continue presenting evidence to the grand jury through mid-October as he confronts conflicting pressures for speed and thoroughness.

"On one side, people are saying you're rush-

ing to justice, and on the other side, they're saying you're dragging this thing out," he said at a news conference.

"We're going to present this as expeditiously as possible, but we are not going to present it in a half-hearted manner."

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WET FOR A GOOD CAUSE

When my Facebook, Twitter and Instagram feeds started filling with videos of people being doused with water, I was alarmed. Where were all the pictures of adorable kittens playing saxophones, teenagers crashing their bikes and delicious food that I had come to rely on?

I was getting nothing but a stream of lunatics pouring ice water over their craniums, howling about the cold and then suggesting that somehow this could help cure a dreadful malady, ALS, sometimes called Lou Gehrig's Disease.

My B.S. antennae shot straight up. I am deeply suspicious of slacktivists. You know, people who confuse clicking "like" or retweeting a picture for actually making a difference in a serious matter. Word to the wise: You can pass around photos of suffering people all morning, add your name to online petitions all afternoon and then go to a fancy dinner packed with wannabe altruists and none of it will help a damn thing unless somehow all those good thoughts are turned into action. So when a friend sent the #ALSicebucketchallenge my way, I had a decision to make. Would I join the parade or stand on my principles against false, feel-good preening? Then I did a little research and found, much to my

Quoted

"Would I join the parade or stand on my principles against ... feel-good preening?"

surprise, that this is the real deal.

According to the ALS Association, donations for the first 20 days or so of August last year amounted to \$1.9 million. This year, the same period produced \$31.5 million and almost 638,000 new donors. What's more, people all over the country are presumably asking (at least I hope they are): What is ALS? In clinical terms, it is a disease that attacks nerve cells and killing muscles, leading to paralysis and eventually death. In human terms, it is just awful.

I'm not a big "cause" guy, and I virtually never ballyhoo publicly for such things. But this particular movement has real momentum, and if all that money can be turned into real action to help researchers find a cure, that really matters. So I donated and yeah I got all wet (the proof is on my FB page). I hope you do, too.

CNN-POLITICS

Middle East

Hamas: Israel launched a strike to kill military chief

An Israeli air strike in Gaza killed the wife and infant son of Hamas' military leader, Mohammed Deif, the group said, calling it an attempt to assassinate him after a cease-fire collapsed.



A Palestinian firefighter in Rafah. / GETTY IMAGES

Palestinians launched more than 180 rockets on Tuesday and Wednesday, mainly at southern Israel, with some intercepted by the Iron Dome anti-missile system, the military said. No casualties were reported on the Israeli side.

Egypt, which has been trying to broker a long-term ceasefire in indirect Israeli-Palestinian talks, said it would continue

contacts with both sides, whose delegates left Cairo after the hostilities resumed on Tuesday.

But there appeared to be no end in sight to violence that shattered a 10-day period of calm, the longest break from fighting since Israel launched its Gaza offensive on July 8 with the declared aim of ending rocket fire into its territory. **REUTERS**

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Crime

Father of Texas 'affluenza' teen arrested

The father of the Texas teenager who killed four people while driving drunk and claimed his family's wealth was

partially to blame for his crime has been arrested for impersonating a police officer, legal documents showed. Frederick Anthony Couch was arrested on Tuesday for an incident that occurred on July 28 in North Richland Hills.

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OMG! Man rolls brussels sprout up a mountain – with his nose

What crazy thing would you do for charity? Whatever it is, it'll be hard to top the efforts of Stuart Kettell, who pushed a brussels sprout up the highest mountain in Wales with his nose. The 49-year-old cameraman took four days to nasally nudge the vegetable to the 1,085-meter summit of Snowdon, raising over \$5,000 for the charity Macmillan Cancer Support. Kettell, from Balsall Common, England, is no stranger to wacky charitable feats: He previously walked along every street in the city of Coventry on stilts and ran in a giant hamster wheel. Metro spoke to him on his latest achievement.

Why did you pick a brussels sprout?
Some of my ideas, I have to admit, come from having a few glasses of wine and



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Kettell pushes a brussels sprout up Snowdon. / VICKY HUBBARD, VICTORIA JANE PHOTOGRAPHY

then I start thinking of crazy things. I then tell people, "I'm going to do it," and before I know it I've roped myself into

Question

What's next for Kettell?

Next year is still being discussed, and I have several more ideas that will be madder than the sprout.

completing it. But this challenge was started by my brother. After seeing a few challenges, he suggested I push a pea up Snowdon next, and that was it. I just couldn't get the idea out of my head, but it didn't work with a pea so we tried a sprout.

Pushing a brussels sprout up anything requires a degree of physical prowess, so would you call yourself an athlete?

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Health notes

New contributor to metabolic syndrome found

Scientists in St. Louis may have found another culprit in metabolic syndrome, which can lead to heart disease and type 2 diabetes.

Uric acid is a normal byproduct of cell turnover in the body, but research suggests that diets high in fructose can raise its levels in the blood. Excess uric acid is known to cause gout, and now new research at Washington University School of Medicine suggests that rather than being a symptom of metabolic syndrome, it actually disrupts metabolism.

A team led by Dr. Kelle H. Moley found that a protein, GLUT9, is a vital carrier of uric acid. In her study on mice, when GLUT9 stopped working in the gut, uric acid built up in the rodents' bodies; Within 6-8 weeks, they'd developed the markers of metabolic syndrome such as high insulin, blood pressure and cholesterol.

Calm urged for would-be mothers



Children born into war zones, like the Ukraine, face more lifetime medical challenges. / GETTY IMAGES

Stress can bring on asthma in unborn children

Mothers know to try staying calm during pregnancy, as stress has been linked to behavioral and developmental problems for their babies. But now,

a new study found that it also increases the risk for allergy-related asthma.

Stress hormones that usually work to reduce inflammation, can, in the body of a person who's under chronic stress, trigger allergic responses instead of fighting them. Pregnant women have

naturally higher levels of these hormones.

In the study, pregnant mice were exposed to either a single stressful event or a stress-related hormone. Their offspring were exposed to allergens after birth. Only the stressed mothers' young were more likely to develop asthma.

"Switching so heavily to fructose in foods over the past 30 years has been devastating," Moley said, adding that more studies would follow to establish a clear link between fructose and uric acid.

Go green by getting happy

If we could just pursue the things that would actually make us happy, we could help the environment too, according to a new study.

"What if what's good for the consumer meets what's good for the environment?" asked Dr. Miriam Tatzel of Empire State College.

The basic needs to be able to pursue happiness include competence, autonomy, positive relationships, self-acceptance and personal growth. But research has shown that striving for more

money and possessions actually takes time away from activities and bonds that would be fulfilling, and hurts self-esteem if it's based on others' perceptions. In this, Tatzel pointed out, consumerism not only strains natural resources, it doesn't benefit people.

"The larger the gap between what one wants and what one has, the greater the dissatisfaction. Less materialism equals more happiness,"

she said at a recent American Psychological Association conference.

By contrast, a study earlier this year showed that frugal people are generally happier — which may be because they avoid the consequences of spending too much, including debt, she said. Experiences, meanwhile, have been shown in studies to give people more lasting happiness than new possessions.

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Frank Miller on Jessica Alba

Of all the intense characters in the "Sin City" universe, vengeful stripper Nancy, played by Jessica Alba, might be series creator Frank Miller's favorite — thanks to Alba's performance. He's found it so inspiring that he's eager to get to work on a third film.

"The original working title for Jessica's story was 'Nancy's Last Dance,' because she had been the abused victim, she had been through the wringer, and she had ended up as many women in her situation do, which is an exotic dancer," Miller says. "This time, she turns into something quite else. And I've already got her next chapter planned, so please show up for the second movie."

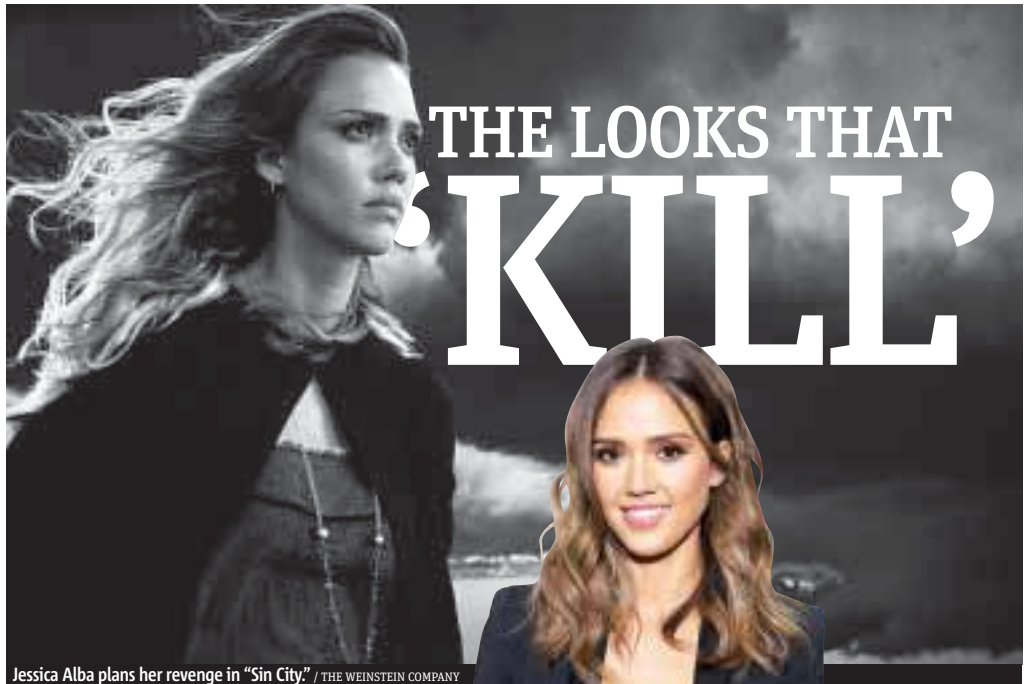


Interview. After nearly a decade, Jessica Alba returns to play a vengeful stripper in "Sin City: A Dame to Kill For."

Jessica Alba has gotten used to vague phone calls from director Robert Rodriguez, the Austin-based auteur who has made a habit of putting Alba in his films. "He calls me up and he is like, 'Can you come shoot this little thing?' And I'm like, OK, what is it?" "Well, it's just this little movie, just come down just for a couple of days," Alba says. "That is just what he does, and I am there. I show up every time because it is so inspiring to be in his world, his universe."

"Sin City: A Dame to Kill For" marks Alba's fifth visit to Rodriguez's universe and her second time taking on Nancy, a hard-luck stripper with revenge on her mind. One thing she's learned from her time working with Rodriguez is that he's not big on giving her a head start, so she has to take matters into her own hands. "They snuck the script to me," she says. "I knew Robert was going to call me on Monday and ask me to show up on Thursday and I wouldn't have any time to prepare."

And it's a good thing she did get her hands on it. "I saw that throughout the script I was in all these dance sequences and she is



Jessica Alba plans her revenge in "Sin City." / THE WEINSTEIN COMPANY

Quoted

"If a guy took me on a date to see this movie, I would marry him for sure. Badass chicks, rad dudes who are sexy all over the place and so much cool action." Alba, on "Sin City: A Dame to Kill For"

in different disguises, and so I was like, 'I have to learn how to dance different, this is going to be great,'" Alba remembers. "So I worked with a choreographer, I

put together costumes and all these wigs and stuff. So I was prepared. And I worked with an acting coach to kind of get in that headspace. I am a mom, I have two kids, I run a company. I am not like this, you know, drunk stripper girl. So I needed to work on it."

And while the "Sin City" series might seem geared toward a male demographic, Alba insists there's plenty

there for the ladies. "It is actually very powerful for women. I bizarrely think this is the perfect date movie," she says. "Like if a guy took me on a date to see this movie, I would marry him for sure. Badass chicks, rad dudes who are sexy all over the place and so much cool action." It's a shame she's already married, though.

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Tough talk. Robert Rodriguez and Eva Green dish on the skin (or lack thereof) in 'Sin City'

In making a Hollywood-friendly adaptation of Frank Miller's gritty "Sin City" graphic novel series, Robert Rodriguez learned that some things have to go — namely some fan-favorite nudity. Case in point: Jessica Alba's character Nancy, a stripper who is very clothing-averse in the comics. In the film world of Sin City, though, some strippers keep their clothes on.

"You couldn't even find an actress of the caliber of what you want that would consider doing that," Rodriguez says. "I knew Jessica wouldn't do topless, but I wanted her. I could have gotten someone who looks just like the photo



Miller, left, and Rodriguez direct Mickey Rourke. / THE WEINSTEIN COMPANY

Quoted

"The green screen around you while you're in your tiny thong, it's not that sexy. So you trust the vision, and that it looks stunning. It's art." Eva Green, on nudity

but can't act, or we could get Jessica and we could cover her up."

It's only a little awkward, of course, that Rodriguez is saying this while sitting near another of the film's stars, Eva Green, who has no problem going topless — and even sparked some controversy with a revealing poster for the film. "You always feel

quite vulnerable when you're naked on the set, and you feel quite silly actually," Green says. "The green screen around you while you're in your tiny thong, it's not that sexy. So you trust the vision, and that it looks stunning."

But Rodriguez is more than satisfied with the nipple-free result of Alba's performance — especially since a lot of fans apparently let their imaginations fill in the blanks. "Some still think she was naked because she does it so sexy, and some things were exposed," he says. "They ask her about the nudity all the time with the first one. There wasn't any nudity. It was all in your mind." **NED EHRBAR**

EVA GREEN
GETTY IMAGES

YA weepie. 'If I Stay' has a girlfriend in a coma, and it's way, way too serious

Gayle Forman's best-seller becomes the latest reasonably cheap YA movie extravaganza, with Chloe Grace Moretz playing Mia, a teenage cellist suffering an out-of-body experience after a car crash puts her in a coma.

The lowdown

Like "The Fault in Our Stars," here's a personable, even funny young-adult picture that turns

too maudlin as it goes on. Thing is, "If I Stay" is not as personable and gets much, much more maudlin, and far earlier. As the ghostly Mia skulks about a hospital, the narrative takes huge dips into her past, where we learn she had cool, middle-aged punker parents (Mireille Enos and Joshua Leonard). Most importantly she had a greasy-haired rocker boyfriend (Jamie Blackley), who was hurt when she had an audition at far-off Juilliard.

For a while, the earnestness in "If I Stay" is touching, especially as it's leavened by blasts of Iggy Pop and The Buzzcocks (plus Beethoven). But Mia's pre-accident problems soon start to seem wearisomely routine, while the hospital business doesn't exactly fit the definition of the word "drama." We're simply stuck waiting around to see whether she dies, killing time with a drama that turns increasingly melodramatic, even for a weepie. **MATT PRIGGE**

Review

'If I Stay'

Director: R.J. Cutler

Stars: Chloe Grace Moretz, Jamie Blackley

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Chloe Grace Moretz might be dead in the maudlin "If I Stay." WARNER BROS. PICTURES

Review



Jim Caviezel (with Michael Chiklis) is one chill football coach in "When the Game Stands Tall." / TRACY BENNETT

'When the Game Stands Tall'

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The latest inspirational sports docudrama follows one Bob Ladouceur (Jim Caviezel), the legendary coach of the De La Salle High School football team who, at 151 wins, holds the record for the longest undefeated streak in high school football.

The lowdown: This isn't your typical sports saga, which is not always a good thing. For starters, there's Caviezel, who plays the most low-key coach in history. He never raises his voice, never pumps his fist and never

seems like he's actually awake. He's so calm that it seems amazing when stress produces a massive stroke, which then seems partially responsible for ending the team's streak.

The story is then how they get their groove back, but that proves easier than expected. In fact, there's not a whole lot of story here, even with the story broadening to cover past players — including one gunned down shortly before heading off to a college scholarship — and a fictional quarterback (Alexander Ludwig) with a hotheaded, borderline abusive football fanatic father (Clancy Brown). And it still finds a way to fit in as many clichés as possible. **MATT PRIGGE**



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Ways the new 'Sin City' doesn't measure up

Nine years were perhaps too long to return to this sleazy, questionable world.

The first "Sin City" came out so long ago it can be hard to recall if it was good or simply original. And it wasn't that original: It was Frank Miller's fantasy version of film noir and old pulp novels. More specifically, it was a fantasy version for 15-year-old boys who had aged out of Heavy Metal magazine (and its cartoon boob-heavy film). Returning to the well, as "Sin City: A Dame to Kill For" does, could highlight the crappiness of the original, fumble the ball or both. Here's how it did.

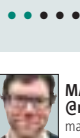
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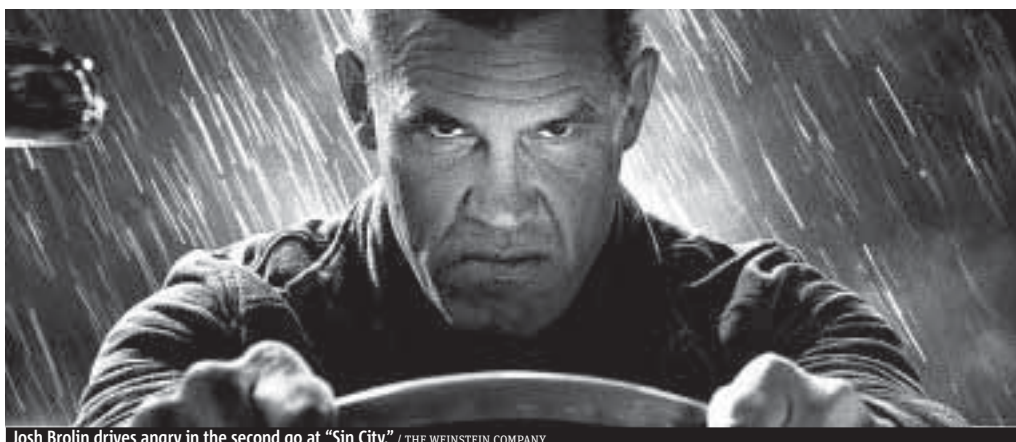
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Josh Brolin drives angry in the second go at "Sin City." / THE WEINSTEIN COMPANY

The stories aren't as strong

There are four "yarns" told, of varying lengths. By far the longest should have been a swish. It summons that mighty pulp/noir staple: the femme fatale, namely Ava (Eva Green), a temptress who reignites the passions in an old flame (Josh Brolin). Green is a great old-school ham, but she never gets vampish breakout moments, and the storytelling is a shambles.

It exposes both creators' limitations

Miller co-directed both films with Robert Rodriguez. Both have issues. Miller, for starters, has aged into a tiresome crank. He's also not a pulp storyteller. He's a man with a lot of crazy ideas, some good, some bad. He gets tangled up trying to tell a simple story. Meanwhile, Rodriguez works fast and cheap, which can result in sloppy work.

It lazily repeats the first

Back in this evidently not very big city is Mickey Rourke's luggish Marvin. He's welcome: He's the one having the most fun in a dour world of interchangeable dudes doing whispered brooding (such as Brolin). But the script doesn't know what to do with him, and twice has him aid in fighting a big baddie. The gun-toting hookers are back, too, of course.

It's phony

Admittedly, the "Sin City" universe is meant to be an affectation. It's a world of babes with big chests, big guns or both. It's casually sexist; the girls are either innocent floozies or bad. Miller and Rodriguez don't shy away from this; they embrace it. They double down on it. It's a brazenness that seems shocking the first time. But then goes back to being what it actually is: juvenile and stupid.



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Zombie movie. Death becomes Aubrey Plaza in a weak comedy

'Life After Beth'

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To the zom-rom-com genre created by "Shaun of the Dead," add this one, in which Dane DeHaan plays a young man who can't quite let go of his girlfriend (Aubrey Plaza), even after she comes back from the dead.

The lowdown: There's a really dark, profound and even much funnier film to be made from this premise, one that looks at grief and our reluctance, if not inability, to let go of those we cherish. But that would take some discipline, and "Life After Beth" has very little. It's a film that needs another three or four (or five or six) drafts to better work out its world — and, more importantly, its notion of undying love. It has lots of promising ideas, but even a gag about zombies adoring smooth jazz is just thrown in there.

In fact, its main problem is it tries to play things too cool. It doesn't commit wholeheartedly to being about a relationship, and as a result has no center



Aubrey Plaza turns into a zombie in "Life After Beth." / A24



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major vehicle — last summer's "The To Do List" — it pretends to be above the material, as though sarcasm will save the day. It doesn't, although Plaza at least cares this time: She throws herself into her character's increasingly animalistic behavior, even if she never conveys who Beth was before turning undead. John C. Reilly and Molly Shannon also give actual performances, as parents who let their grief cloud their logic. When they're on screen, "Beth"'s true potential briefly shows. **MATT PRIGGE**

of gravity. It's just gags and half-worked-out ideas thrown at the screen. Like Plaza's last

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Marital saga. Alfred Molina and John Lithgow get hitched then split up in 'Love Is Strange'



Review

'Love Is Strange'

Director: Ira Sachs

Stars: John Lithgow,
Alfred Molina

Rating: R



Alfred Molina and John Lithgow are a couple forced to part ways in "Love Is Strange." / SONY PICTURES CLASSICS

John Lithgow and Alfred Molina play Ben and George, a couple of 40 years who finally get married — only to have George lose his job, forcing them to sell their Greenwich Village apartment and shack up in different homes.

couple forced to live apart, due to social security not yet being in existence. Apart from being a tear-jerker, it was propaganda. This isn't. Though George loses his job due to persecution, most of "Love Is Strange" depicts not only the heartache of separation, but the feeling of being a bothersome guest in someone else's home.

Ben and George share few scenes together. In fact, Ben

spends most of his time in his relatives' Brooklyn apartment, unknowingly getting on the nerves of a novelist (Marisa Tomei) who tries to hide her frustration at being constantly distracted by him. Tomei isn't a monster, though she is passive-aggressive, allowing her rage to fester until it threatens to reach a boiling point.

Director Ira Sachs ("Keep the Lights On") occasionally lets the story go in easy, sometimes

overly convenient directions. (The way in which one of the central problems is solved is so openly circumstantial that it essentially gets a pass.) But he's more interested in tiny notes. This is a very gentle film, cruising on the notes of Chopin piano pieces and quietly observing two actors who've spent their careers playing big, hammy villains, here allowed to do lots without doing much at all. **MATT PRIGGE**

The lowdown

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Review



George Takei gets one of two haircuts as seen in the documentary "To Be Takei." / STARZ DIGITAL MEDIA

'To Be Takei'

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George Takei gets his own documentary, which looks at all things him: his "Star Trek" stints, his cult stardom, his role as a very funny gay rights activist and his work raising awareness about WWII Japanese internment camps, in which he resided as a child.

The lowdown: There's a thin

line between documentary profile and infomercial. Actually, there's not: This is fully on the latter side. It's not selling anything, except for George Takei as a brand. Of course, there are worse things to be sold: Takei, as ever, is an affable, funny, fun-loving guy who takes everything with an irresistible chuckle and finds a way to fight homophobia without seeming preachy.

His relentless good cheer is even more remarkable given how much pain he's been through: from internment

camp as a child to spending most of his life in the closet (he now has a husband, Brad, who's always by his side). But "To Be Takei" offers only a shallow look at its subject. And interesting and delightful as Takei is, his life and work simply don't fill a full-length film. "To Be Takei" is aggressively padded out, burning time with hang-outs and mocking William Shatner. Takei charms his way through, but this has little on any random Howard Stern appearance.

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Mystery film. We can't talk about what happens in 'The One I Love'

A couple (Elisabeth Moss and Mark Duplass) take the advice of their marriage counselor (Ted Danson) and head up to a remote, isolated retreat to heal their wounds, but then something happens that we're not allowed to reveal.

The lowdown

We respect plot twists. We won't even make the argument that if something doesn't work after it's been spoiled, then it doesn't work at all. We also understand how important it is to protect the big reveal in "The One I Love," which is genuinely walloping if you haven't read it revealed elsewhere — and even though it happens at the 15-minute mark.

On the other hand, if your twist happens in the first 15 minutes, it's not a twist, it's the premise. And the decision to keep the one here under lock and key means that potential viewers have very little to go on — just a vague and not terribly enticing premise (couples therapy!) and two very good actors, who are, it can be spoiled, very good here.



Something secret happens to Elisabeth Moss in "The One I Love." / RADIUS-TWC

Moss and Duplass are the biggest reasons to see "The One I Love." So pardon us if we sound evasive when we say that the mystery premise is a strong, meaty one, but its potential is only marginally exploited. Worse, the third act — which we would never spoil — goes in a disastrous, misjudged direction. But what else can we say? For a review that actually discusses the particulars, go to Metro.us.

MATT PRIGGE

Review

'The One I Love'

Director: Charlie McDowell

Stars: Elisabeth Moss, Mark Duplass

Rating: R

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Owen Wilson and Zach Galifianakis bro down in "Are You Here." / MILLENNIUM ENTERTAINMENT

Matthew Weiner sadly stumbles

Dramedy. "Mad Men"'s creator tries out film with the bizarrely weak "Are You Here."

Matthew Weiner, creator and showrunner of "Mad Men," goes to the movies, with a comedy about a hedonistic weatherman (Owen Wilson) who tries to help a friend (Zach Galifianakis) after his father has died and left him a vast country estate.

The lowdown

There's an admirably ambitious idea here: taking a broad comedy — say, the kind that would star Owen Wilson and Zach

Review

'Are You Here'

Director: Matthew Weiner

Stars: Owen Wilson, Zach Galifianakis

Rating: R

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Galifianakis — and gradually bringing reality into its goofy confines. But that would require a surer hand than Weiner has here. And he should have it: "Mad Men" is a magnificently controlled machine. And yet "Are You Here" is sloppy, and by the time it creeps toward profundity — which is to say

the final minutes — it's too little, too late.

But the main problem is the characters aren't particularly vivid. They're all stock: Wilson is the self-destructive guy who learns he's been crying on the inside this whole time; Galifianakis is a Galifianakian fool who at one point streaks; Amy Poehler is a cold shrew who's warmer on the inside. None of the characters are interesting enough to sustain an entire film.

Only Laura Ramsey, as the mistress to Galifianakis' dead father, impresses, avoiding every stereotype of the gold digger and giving "Are You Here" the maturity it most requires.



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The VMAs vs. The Emmys

MTV's Video Music Awards and television's biggest night are both taking place in the next few days, so we take a look at how the two shows stack up against each other. **LISA WEIDENFELD AND PAT HEALY**

Host

VMAs: Lucy Hale (pre-show)

Emmys: Seth Meyers

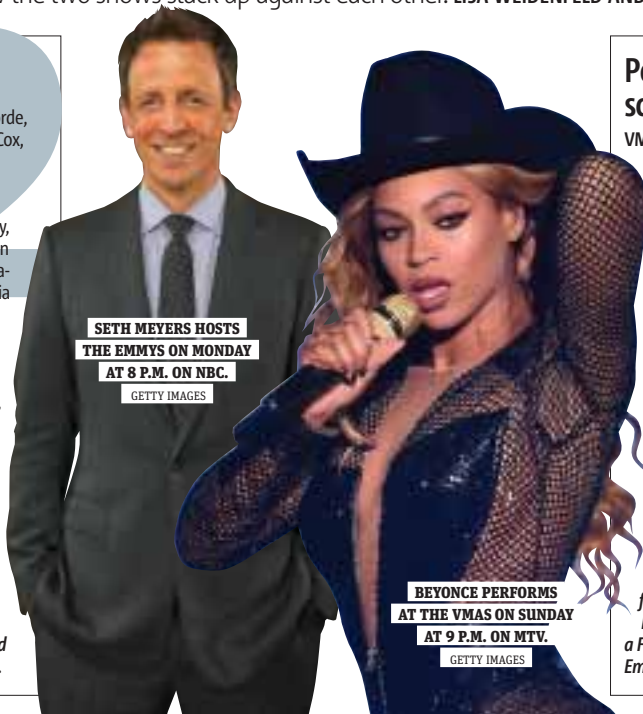
And the winner is: Emmys Quick: Name the most memorable thing about Seth Meyers' stint on Weekend Update. Did you name Stefan? Because that wasn't technically him. We're thinking the same policy will apply to his Emmy hosting. If something crazy happens, it's going to be Seth Meyers-adjacent rather than Seth Meyers. But he is friends with a lot of very funny people, so we have high hopes. Also, the Emmys wins this category because the VMAs don't technically have a host. "Pretty Little Liars" star and aspiring country singer Lucy Hale hosts the red carpet.

Presenters

VMAs: Demi Lovato, Lorde, Jason Derulo, Laverne Cox, Nina Dobrev

Emmys: Amy Poehler, Matthew McConaughey, Woody Harrelson, Bryan Cranston, Zooey Deschanel, Andy Samberg, Julia Roberts and more

And the winner is: Emmys As far as presenters go, the Emmys makes the VMAs look JV. Look at the star power there! Plus, most of the TV actors seem natural reading off of a teleprompter. Fingers crossed that Matthew McConaughey wears a customized fanny pack to fully bring that weird fashion accessory back.



Potential for scandal

VMAs: While not usually controversial per se, Beyoncé needs to do something big to distract everybody from those pesky rumors of domestic distress.

Emmys: Kate McKinnon is nominated for outstanding supporting actress in a comedy series, where a victory for the "SNL" star could be a big upset over Julie Bowen for "Modern Family."

And the winner is: VMAs Kanye ever interrupted the Emmys? Miley ever gotten busy with a foam finger at the Emmys? Howard Stern ever donned a Fart-Man costume at the Emmys? Nope! VMAs takes it.

Best speech

VMAs: With a total of eight noms, Beyoncé is also scheduled to perform and receive the Michael Jackson Video Vanguard Award, so she's obviously been practicing some "thank you" moments in the mirror.

Emmys: Julia Louis-Dreyfus always does something hilarious when she wins — last year she had Tony Hale accompany her as his "Veep" character, whispering in her ear about who to thank.

And the winner is: Tie! At the VMAs, outspoken musicians will likely address the unrest in Ferguson in interesting ways. And with a Robin Williams In Memoriam segment scheduled at the Emmys, there won't be a dry eye in the house.

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Season 8. The cast and showrunner give us a road map to the intergalactic joyride.

Is the Doctor technically "back" if he's new?

The eighth season of the British sci-fi series about the Time Lord who travels in a blue telephone booth begins this Saturday, and there's a new man at the TARDIS controls: Scottish actor Peter Capaldi.

Accompanied by co-star Jenna Coleman, who plays the Doctor's companion Clara Oswald, and showrunner Steven Moffat, the trio embarked on a TARDIS-worthy world tour to promote the show, visiting five continents in 12 days. We caught up with them at the New York City premiere to find out what's in store.

No references

Capaldi guest-starred in a previous episode, but Moffat said there won't be any nudge-nudge nods in the series. "Frankly, the reason the Doctor looks like



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Peter Capaldi takes over as the Doctor this Saturday at 8 p.m. on BBC America. / RAY BURMISTON

Fans

Inspiring creativity

Moffat revealed that the new title credits for Season 8 — a steampunk mash-up of science and engineering in which gears morph into revolving planets — was created by a fan who put his work on YouTube. "We give [fans] a show and they give us our show back, sometimes better. It has turned people into actors, it has turned people into writers, it has turned people into scientists. That's an extraordinary thing."

another character in 'Doctor Who' is because he's played by the same actor, and everybody knows that. If you go down that path, I'll be explaining why John Watson looks like Bilbo."

Plot imitates life

The companion is a proxy for the audience, especially when the Doctor is new. Coleman said Capaldi threw "about a thousand options at the wall" while regenerating into Twelve — and it's not the first time she was surprised by him. "Especially in the early days when Peter was finding his Doctor, [I] would say, 'Actually, no, I'm just gonna stand here.' It's that thing where instead of going to the room, the room was

coming to him. And I feel like he was really bold and brave."

The role is in good hands

"Doctor Who" has been part of Capaldi's life since he was 5. He grew up idolizing the actors who portrayed the role, even more than his contemporaries on the stage and screen. "Every day, it's like, 'Oh, wow, I'm the Doctor, this is amazing!' But think of the first time you make your escape through a ventilation shaft! It's quite special."

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Meet the Doctors. Though the Doctor is one man, he changes with each new face

Christopher Eccleston



His performance left no doubt that Nine was running from something he'd done, even before it was revealed he'd sacrificed his planet to end the war with the Daleks. In a bad-boy black leather jacket with the similarly adrift Rose Tyler by his side, Nine lived for the moment, enjoying the world he'd saved with a companion who wanted to be shown it all.

David Tennant



Having decided to redeem himself by focusing on the good he could do in the galaxy, Ten earned the Doctor's reputation as a protector but could be vindictive against enemies who tested him. This is also the Doctor known for his love — sometimes literally — of humanity; when it came time for his regeneration, Ten tearfully admitted, "I don't want to go."

Matt Smith



An emotional season opener in which Eleven meets his would-be companion, Amy Pond, when she was just a girl, made him one of the most iconic Doctors. (His instantly fashionable bow tie and "Geronimo!" catchphrase didn't hurt.) Eleven was boisterous, never quiet or calm and only reluctantly dealt with villains after failing to charm them.

Peter Capaldi



Twelve is charming but manipulative, abrasive to his companion Clara one moment and tear-jerkingly compassionate to an out-of-time T-Rex the next in the season opener. After saving his planet last season, Twelve doesn't have the emotional baggage of his predecessors, giving Capaldi the most freedom yet to make the character his own. EVA KIS

A new head takes the wig in 'Hedwig'

Theater. Andrew Rannells knew he had big platform shoes to fill when he replaced NPH.

It was a sad day for Broadway when Neil Patrick Harris donned his notorious blond wigs and high-heeled boots for the last time on Aug. 17 — his final night in "Hedwig and the Angry Inch" at the Belasco Theatre. However, all is not lost, because another virtuoso is taking over the titular role: Andrew Rannells of "The Book of Mormon" and HBO's "Girls."

We spoke to Rannells, who takes over as the would-be glam rock superstar through Oct. 12, as well as his co-star Lena Hall, who won a Tony Award this year for her portrayal of Yitzhak, the husband of Hedwig.

Rannells, on playing 'Hedwig'

Do you think this is one of the most physically challenging shows you've ever done?

It's certainly a mini-marathon. I mean, it is only 90 minutes, so that feels like a cheat, a little bit, because, like, "The Book of Mormon" was such a beast of a show to do every



Andrew Rannells started his gig as Hedwig on Wednesday. Read more from him and Lena Hall on Metro.us. / JOAN MARCUS

night, and it was two and a half hours. ... I remember as we started doing run-throughs of ["Hedwig"], we would get to the end of it, and I was like, "Oh, is that it? Are we done? That's one act. Not so bad."

Have you prepared with any special exercise?

With working out, I kind of stopped lifting weights because ... you don't want Hedwig to be too bulky. But I mean, the show in itself is kind of its own diet. You're putting out so much energy and burning so many calories in that little burst of time for that show that [performing] in itself is a pretty damn good workout.

When you saw Neil doing it, did you already have the role in mind?

Yes. [Director Michael Mayer] said "Please come see the show," so I saw it immediately. ... As I was watching it, I was like, "Is that something I can do; is it something I want to do?" and of course, the answer was "Yes! I definitely want to do this."

Co-star swap

Lena Hall's view

You have a changing of the guard. How does that feel?

It's exciting. It's also sad, because I have to see my first "wife" go. And you know, the first divorce is always the hardest. [Laughs] But it's fun, it'll be a new energy. ... So it's gonna stay fresh — and that's really cool.

Do you get to be the boss and take Andrew under your wing?

Yes, but at the same time, I want him to use me for whatever he needs. I want him not to feel like he has to do what Neil did. ... And I will change to him, because this is "Hedwig." This is his show. He's got to take the reins, and he will, I have no doubt. ... All the Hedheads [devoted fans] love coming and seeing different people playing Hedwig.



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Oddball to 'compress the room'

Funny or Die.

Comedian Reggie Watts discusses the ideal audience for his improvised act.

This summer, Funny or Die is taking things offline and hitting the road for the Oddball Comedy & Curiosity Festival, bringing an embarrassment of comedian riches — including Louis C.K., Sarah Silverman, Bill Burr and many more — to very big venues around the country. So big, in fact, that some of the comedians might find it a bit daunting. Not tour member Reggie Watts though. He is no stranger to large stages — even if he'd rather be playing to a crowd of about 300.

This tour is going to a lot of venues that are traditionally more music-oriented ...
When I toured with Conan

[O'Brien], we did it all in multipurpose theaters that would have either music or theater in them.

Do you have a preference as far as venue size?

Probably around 300 [capacity]? Just because the larger the audience, the harder it is to do what I like to call "compressing the room." It's harder to fill the room and not control it, but definitely be able to manipulate things in a much more subtle way. ... Certainly,

comedians like Chris Rock and bigger names like Louis C.K. could definitely do it, because there's an excitement already with names like that, so they're all ready to go and they can kind of meet each other halfway.

Do you think the brand name Funny or Die does the same thing in that respect?

I think it will, but they're in a way kind of introducing themselves, too. Whenever you visit some kind of entertainment website, sometimes you don't really associate the company name [with] the experiences that you're watching. You'll see "Funny or Die," but you might not equate it; it might not be a strong association. Like I have a show on IFC, but a lot of people think it's Comedy Central.

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Reggie Watts makes up those funny tunes on-the-spot, so he might not be able to figure out how to play a song you've heard him play before. / C. FLANIGAN, FILMMAGIC

Bonus questions

Don't yell 'F— S— Stack'

How much of your set do you plan out ahead and how much is improvised?

I improvise everything. I mean, I definitely have things that I do. I know that I can do music or I know I can stand up and say dumb s— or I can sit at the piano and play a weird song or whatever.

Have you found people request specific songs of yours?

They used to scream out "F— S— Stack" or whatever, but I haven't played "F— S— Stack" in probably four years. When I made the song, I just improvised it. I improvised it for the recording, and then I had to learn what I'd actually said for the video.



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HOOKED ON POLYPHONICS



Tim DeLaughter, center, says that it is, in fact, quite expensive to tour with a 16-member band. / SHORE FIRE MEDIA

Hot tickets.

Tim DeLaughter discusses the ways in which touring with a huge band is both a labor of love and financial insanity.

For the past 14 years, The Polyphonic Spree have been known for packing as many members as possible onto stages and creating music as jubilant and colorful as the uniforms the members don. The songs

on last year's "Yes, It's True" album stayed true to that recipe, so it's surprising that there are moments on their brand-new album, "Psychphonic," (which came out last week) that sound a bit darker. It's especially surprising when one considers that every song is from the "Yes, It's True" album but remixed by different DJs.

Detached from the spectrum of the Spree's ornate instrumentation and placed over new backgrounds, the vocals of leader Tim DeLaughter are more raw, and the cold electronics on a song such as "Carefully Try" bring out



For show reviews of Arcade Fire at Barclays Center, see Metro.us.

a desperation not as detectable in the original.

"I knew once we gave the tracks to capable engineers who are DJs that they were going to go crazy with it," says DeLaughter. "I knew they were going to turn it into something that

you just wouldn't imagine was there."

When it comes to things you wouldn't imagine were there, seeing The Polyphonic Spree live is so life-affirming that you might not realize the amount of effort that goes into making their shows work.

"Polyphonic Spree is a labor of love, but it's also a financial insanity," says DeLaughter. "We get paid like a four-piece band, but we have four bands in our band."

DeLaughter has remortgaged his house twice for the band, and they've been signed to and

dropped by eight different labels since their start at the turn of the century.

"When I'm up on stage singing these songs, I'm at my best, so it's hard to ignore that," says DeLaughter. "Life is hard enough, and if you can find something in life that really turns you on, even with the weight of what it takes to make it happen, it's just all worth it. I can't really ignore it. We've had many, many, many talks of 'We can't keep doing this.' ... [But] it's just kind of hard to just turn off and ignore something that gives you that much joy and fulfillment."

Covers story

Going on a tribute Spree

Though the Spree aren't performing the remixed versions live, they have been throwing in a few unexpected covers into their sets, such as the Four Seasons' "December, 1963 (Oh, What a Night)."

"We can basically do any song out there," enthuses DeLaughter. "We can nail it because we have the whole sonic landscape covered. We've done everything from Nirvana to 'The Rocky Horror Picture Show.'"

Ask a question

The Polyphonic Webcast

On Sunday at 9:30 p.m., Metro Music Editor Pat Healy sits down with the band for a chat and a performance you can watch at Metro.us/music/polyphonic. Got a question? Tweet [#behindthealbum](https://twitter.com/behindthealbum) and DeLaughter will answer!

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Get funky up

Yo Like George

Next month Parliament-Funkadelic release a new album, "First You Gotta Shake the Gate," and Clinton's autobiography, "Brothas Be, Yo Like George, Ain't That Funkin' Kinda Hard on You?: A Memoir," comes out as well.

"Everybody's trying to steal the ownership of all of that music going into the Smithsonian," says Clinton, who has been involved in numerous copyright lawsuits. "It shows you how big it really is."



George Clinton and Parliament-Funkadelic play Thursday at Watermark Bar & Lounge (Pier 15, 78 South St.). / PROVIDED

Mothership. George Clinton is still very much out of this world

Space is the place for Parliament-Funkadelic founder George Clinton. That's why he built the Mothership.

"After [the 1975 album] 'Chocolate City,' which was about a black person in the White House, the next one I could see was [a black person] in outer space," Clinton says. "Back in those days, you were getting out of the peace and love generation and into the '70s, and while that was still around you had to leave the planet to find it."

The Mothership stage prop — central to the 1975 concept album "Mothership Connection" — is about to land in the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture, where it will be on display with P-Funk music and concert footage in the Musical Crossroads exhibit.

This Mothership is a replica of the original, but it was very active in the '90s, making its last appearance at Woodstock '99.

"It's going to be right

in the lobby when you walk in, so it definitely lives up to the history of the music, because the music has not only been good for us, but good for two generations of artists after that," Clinton says. Case in point, the band's "Give Up the Funk (Tear the Roof Off the Sucker)" has been sampled more than 35 times.

"All of the hip-hop and now electronic, the funk has been the DNA of that," he says. "The music that came from the Mothership." CHRIS JORDAN

THE WORD

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Tom Hanks and Rita Wilson / ALL PHOTOS FROM GETTY IMAGES

Hanks and Wilson split (and then un-split)

Nobody likes to read bad news about professional nice guy Tom Hanks, but thankfully this has a happy ending. According to *Life & Style*, Hanks and wife Rita Wilson recently hit a rough patch in their 26-year marriage, spending a month quietly separated. "They were leading separate lives. Although they at-

tended social functions and walked their dogs together, they were living in separate residences," a source says. "They just weren't seeing eye-to-eye." But the trouble was only temporary, thankfully. "Tom and Rita are not just husband and wife, they are best friends. It will take a lot to split this couple up for good."



MISCHA BARTON

Mischa Barton worries her friends

People are worried about Mischa Barton. Again. The former "O.C." star is reportedly in deep financial trouble and her friends and family fear a relapse, according to *Star* magazine. "It's extremely heartbreaking," a source says. "She's

broke and ashamed — and I'm afraid that she may try to numb the pain." *Star* claims Barton is more than \$100,000 in debt and her \$6.4 million Beverly Hills mansion is in foreclosure. If these "friends" cared so much about her, maybe they'd spend time talking to her instead of just griping to the nearest tabloid.



DJ Calvin Harris has a reason to smile.

Talking point

DJ Calvin Harris makes tons of money

How much can you make standing behind a laptop and some turntables in a Las Vegas nightclub? Much more than you'd think, apparently, as Calvin Harris knows well. Harris was named the highest paid DJ in the world for the second

year in a row by *Forbes* magazine. His take-home pay for the past 12 months? Oh, only \$66 million. "The rise of dance music has been astronomical in the last three years. I happened to be in the right place at the right time," Harris tells the magazine, trying to downplay his success. Rival DJ David Guetta came in second with a paltry \$30 million.



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The truth about men's skincare

Grooming. The beauty routine every guy needs to follow.

Every year, you spend a small fortune on fancy face washes, eye creams, scrubs and serums while the dude in your life reaches for the green bar of soap on sale. It's time for a change. We spoke to Dr. Harold Lancer — famed dermatologist to celebrities including Kim Kardashian, Oprah and Ryan Seacrest — to find out how men can step out their beauty routines.

School them

"The majority of men are lazy. You have to get them to wash their hands in the restroom for crying out loud," says Dr. Lancer. His solution: Drill them with the knowledge you've picked up from years of devouring women's magazines.

"For men, usually whatever's in the shower is good enough. So whether it's bar soap in a cheap hotel or fancy stuff in a salon, men will just use it. They need to

be educated on the importance of grooming."

Exfoliate, exfoliate, exfoliate

Even though the anatomy of male skin is different, when it comes to daily skincare it requires the same maintenance as a woman's, says Dr. Lancer. This means starting with a good scrub.

"The first step is, men need to exfoliate, just like women do, on a daily basis," he says. "Then there's an increased blood flow to the skin, [and] the skin sheds its outer layer and replaces it with newer skin." A bonus: "Since men often wash in the shower, as opposed to a sink, it's even easier for them to use an exfoliant first."

Go ahead and share products

"It's a total fantasy that male and female products need to be different," says Dr. Lancer. "Most women want unscented, high-quality skincare products, and those are the same products that work on men."

But if what's sitting on her bathroom shelf just looks or

smells too feminine for you, try Dr. Lancer's skincare line, or see our list below for products made specifically for dudes.

Your new daily routine

"In the shower, first exfoliate, then use a cleanser that has grapeseed extract and some sort of protein component to soothe the skin during cleansing," advises Dr. Lancer. "When out of the shower, pat dry and use a moisturizing sunscreen combination."

Men's grooming is on the rise

"When I started my private practice in 1983, there would be one male patient for every two or three hundred female patients," says Dr. Lancer. "In the last five years, it's now two out of 10. Twenty percent of the new patients asking about skincare are men. And the men are doing it for the same exact reason women do — for self-esteem."

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Online dating for every generation

Modern life.

Here's how you can help everyone in your family find love online.

Frank Jackson and his mother Maggie are like lots of modern families: They have dinner together regularly, keep each other updated on their lives — and they are both online dating at the same time.

"I'm a novice at it," admits Maggie, a 60-something nurse who lives in Brooklyn. "I am retired and my kids are grown, and I'm just looking for companionship."

"My mom has great standards," adds Frank, 28.

A new study by the dating site AYL.com notes that Brooklyn in particular is a tough market for singles over 40, with users only being contacted 7.3 percent of the time. Singles in that age group who live in Manhattan have an 8.9 percent chance of being contacted by a potential partner.

"Having a lower number of overall contacts is not necessarily a bad thing," says Virginia Roberts, an online dating coach. She says that older

daters will probably have a much higher response rate if they choose a site that's geared toward their age range.

Learn how to adapt to the world of social media

"Older daters tend to have a more formal style of communication," says Roberts. "It's important to spend some time writing both your profile and any messages that you send out in a very fun voice."

She stresses that "fun" doesn't mean "immature." "They don't have to conceal their ages," she continues. "They should just have a 'joie de vivre.'"

Use Facebook as a guide

Looking for examples of how to write a fun message? Look no further than Facebook. "You might have a daughter on Facebook," she says. "That breezy tone that reads very informally is what you should be going for."

Know what to share with your family

While it may not be unusual to

Set the tone

Write messages that are informal

Sometimes, online daters who grew up in a different era can get bogged down in formality when writing a message. Roberts gives this example of how to liven things up. Instead of writing:

Dear John,
Hello! I see that you enjoy sailing. [Several formal sentences in the same style follow.]

Sincerely,
Mary

Roberts suggest this:

Dear John,
I love that you love to sail. So do I. Where are your favorite places to go? [Add another engaging sentence here.] Hope you are doing well, Mary



Navigating the world of online dating can be challenging for the over-40 set. / DIGITAL VISION

have several single adults in a family at the same time, that doesn't mean that things won't get awkward.

"I think the most important thing is to know when to back down," says Roberts. "You might want your mom to find a nice, steady guy. But your 70-something mom, quite frankly, may just want casual sex because she grew up at a time when that wasn't done."

Examples like this, says Roberts, is why setting boundaries is important. "You should step away before it becomes uncomfortable," she says.



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To selfie or not to selfie, that is the question

Walking down the street in downtown Los Angeles recently, I noticed a man on a Harley pull up and park about 20 yards in front of me. He took his time getting off his bike, removing his helmet and adjusting his leather. His long hair was back in a ponytail; he had a full handlebar mustache and tattoos cascading down both arms.

A mere 10 feet from him, I observed this rough-and-tumble, travel-seasoned rider recline on his bike, pull out a sign that says, "LA, bitches!" and put on the cheesiest open-mouthed smile as he pulled his iPhone out and took a selfie. Clearly, no one is immune.

A sign of insecurity

Selfies aren't just the quintessential example of narcissism; they are a statement that says both "Look at me and what I'm doing!" and "Give me lots of compliments on how awesome I am because of what I'm doing." In short, it reeks of insecurity. In fact, the reason it's called a selfie is that the person taking it is actually alone.

Think about it: You take a selfie because no one is there to take a picture of you. You are by yourself — maybe doing something great, maybe doing something mundane — but you have no one to share it

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with, so you share it with people you might know or barely know online.

Why do we take selfies?

It's more than just attention that we're seeking; it's validation. But in today's "look at me" world of instant gratification, we post pictures of ourselves, taken by us, in a vain effort to feel good about who we are and what we are doing; in essence, to be viewed by others as important. The saddest part is that we are seeking acknowledgement and a self-esteem boost from people who aren't there.



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Social media warps our reality

The ego strokes we get from selfies and posts set an invisible, unintentional bar for our real-world relationships. We feel good when we get "likes" and "retweets," and our real relationships can start falling short.

Bottom line: Self-esteem doesn't come from a selfie. It comes from within. It comes from feeling good because you like who you are.

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- 1.5 oz. Hendrick's gin
- .5 oz. fresh lemon juice
- .25 oz. simple syrup
- 2 dashes Peychaud's bitters
- Top with Boddington's Pub Ale

Instructions:

Fill highball glass with ice. Add all ingredients. Garnish with an orange twist.



Beer-Spiked Margarita

Ingredients:

- 1.5 oz. Casamigos Reposado tequila
- .5 oz. fresh-squeezed lime juice
- .5 oz. fresh-squeezed orange juice
- .5 oz. Grand Marnier

Instructions:

Shake the non-carbonated ingredients together. Strain them into a chilled pint glass with ice. Fill to the top with Modelo Especial. Add a lime wedge garnish.



Serenity Soon

Ingredients:

- 1 oz. Crop Cucumber
- 1 oz. coconut water
- .75 oz. lime juice
- .5 oz. simple syrup
- 3 oz. Modelo lager

Instructions:

Shake non-carbonated ingredients with ice. Strain into a highball glass with fresh ice. Top with Modelo, add a cucumber wheel garnish and a straw.

Pamplemousse Shandy

Ingredients:

- .5 oz. Aperol
- .5 oz. lime juice
- .5 oz. tequila
- .5 oz. Shofferhofer Grapefruit Hefeweizen

Instructions:

Mix non-carbonated ingredients together, pour them into a pint glass and top it all off with the Hefeweizen. Add candied grapefruit as a garnish.



Head Above Watermelon

Ingredients:

- 2 oz. fresh-pressed watermelon juice
- 1.25 oz. Casamigos Blanco
- .5 oz. fresh lime juice
- .5 oz. simple syrup
- 2 oz. Alagash Hefeweizen

Instructions:

Shake all ingredients together except the Hefeweizen, pour into chilled brandy snifter, add Hefeweizen and garnish with a mint leaf.

Glasgow Shandy

Ingredients:

- 1 oz. Monkey Shoulder scotch
- .5 oz. lemon juice
- .25 oz. simple syrup
- 2 dash Angostura bitters
- 4 oz. Kelso pale ale
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Aug. 22-23, 8 p.m.
Various locations
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\$20-\$30, www.lebowskifest.com
The Dude abides — for exactly 48 hours to celebrate the 1998 Coen brothers classic. Night 1 has unlimited bowling and shoe rental at Lucky Strike (just don't f— with the Jesus). Night 2 features a musical performance by Cover Me Badd — not covering The Eagles — and a screening of "The Big Lebowski" at Gramercy Theater.

MUSIC

Afropunk Fest

Aug. 23-24, Noon
Commodore Barry Park
226 Nassau St., Ft. Greene
Free, www.afropunkfest.com
In its 10th year, Afropunk brings art, locally made fashion and live music — on the roster this year are Bad Brains, Body Count, Fishbone, SZA, A Tribe Called Red and many more. Admission is free, though a donation is suggested.



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Keep your reputation intact by finishing what you start. If you focus on accomplishments, someone will recognize what you have to offer.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22.
Turn on the charm today. You will impress people with your ideas if you take the time to schmooze.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22.
Look over your shoulder. Someone will try to make you look bad or take advantage of you. Keep your eyes open to avoid being taken by surprise.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21.
If you deliver your ideas with confidence, your communication skills will impress. A trip will be enlightening.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21.
Make your own decisions. Don't let someone else's opinion deter you from going where you need to go or doing what you want.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20.
Partnership worries will surface. Avoid getting into a battle of wills just because you don't share the same ideas.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18.
Researching a matter that appeals to you will help broaden your knowledge. Work-related issues will turn in your favor.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20.
Be careful not to overlook the youngsters in your life. You can get a whole new perspective if you listen to the child's point of view.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20.
You are likely to hear complaints if you have been neglecting your chores. Get caught up in order to leave more time to explore your own interests.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21.
Take a trip someplace novel, or just get together with special friends. A good time free from worries will make you feel refreshed.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20.
Use your ingenuity to clear up pending legal matters. Someone will look to you for assistance. Be wise in your assessments.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22.
Focus on home, family and domestic matters. You can minimize personality clashes by keeping your thoughts to yourself. Sit back and listen.
EUGENIA LAST

Sudoku: Easy and hard

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

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Across

- 1 Pulls over
- 6 Beside oneself
- 10 Groom a poodle
- 14 Tooth type
- 15 French Legion headgear
- 16 Dog owner's shout
- 17 Ekberg of films
- 18 Cloudburst
- 19 Slow-moving beasts
- 20 Guns the engine
- 21 Picture portion
- 23 Quisling's crime
- 25 Makes like a snake
- 26 Chore
- 27 Egg protector
- 29 Cosmopolitan
- 32 Savory smell
- 33 JAMA readers
- 36 Castle, in chess
- 37 They curl your hair
- 38 Whining noise
- 39 Open meadow
- 40 Swatches
- 41 The thick of things
- 42 Davenport
- 43 Move jauntily
- 44 Addison's partner
- 47 Soft drink (2 wds.)
- 51 Boonies
- 54 Pumice source
- 55 Help with a heist
- 56 Trevi Fountain site

Down

- 1 Chic
- 2 Copier ink
- 3 Relish tray item
- 4 "Wheel" host (2 wds.)
- 5 Mexican Mrs.
- 6 Goodyear's home
- 7 Backpacker's load
- 8 Mayberry kid
- 9 Cotton fabrics
- 10 Select
- 11 BMW alternative
- 12 Sherlock's lady friend
- 13 Hangs fire
- 21 Palm off
- 22 Beatles' "Meter Maid"
- 24 Hoss, to Ben
- 27 Wheat and corn
- 28 Silver and Howard
- 29 Web addr.
- 30 Unhatched fish
- 31 Python or wrap
- 32 Diva's rendition

- 33 Served, as time
- 34 TLC providers
- 35 Police dept. rank
- 37 Deduced
- 38 Speed (2 wds.)
- 40 — amandine
- 41 In vogue
- 42 Parlor piece
- 43 Physique
- 44 Swimming hazard
- 45 Fibula companion
- 46 Us, to Pogo
- 47 Deride
- 48 Tasty carbohydrate
- 49 Not hidden
- 50 Check endorser
- 52 Mineral deposit
- 53 Yves' girl
- 57 Drop — line

Wednesday's anagram



Letters

Learn from Churchill

The difference between Winston Churchill and President Barack Obama is enormous. When in 1940, near the beginning of World War II, England stood all alone against Nazi Germany, Winston Churchill rallied his people and led the war effort to continue despite their "war weariness." By contrast, Barack Obama has made no such visible effort. His style of leadership seems to be to "lead from behind" which means pass the buck or let someone else lead. To the terrorists of the world, this means cowardice or exhaustion — and that is a clear invitation for them to move forward on their terrorist agenda.
ARTHUR HORN, VIA EMAIL

New brides don't need more clutter

Re: 'Oh, you should have!' (Metro, Aug. 20)
Your recommendation for a bridal registry is a cheese board that costs \$105? Salt and pepper shakers that cost \$30? Are you out of your minds? I'm also getting married in October. And never, ever in a million years would I ask anyone to waste their hard-earned money on a \$275 plant holder. People who are just starting out need realistic things.
JENNIFER MATRONE, VIA EMAIL

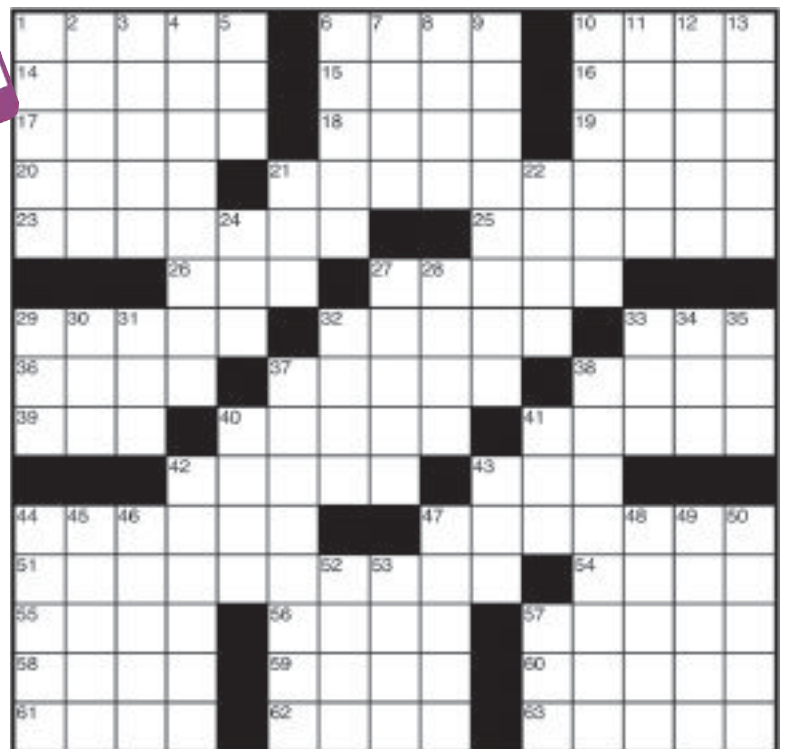
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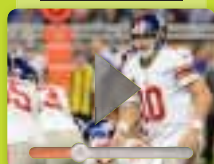


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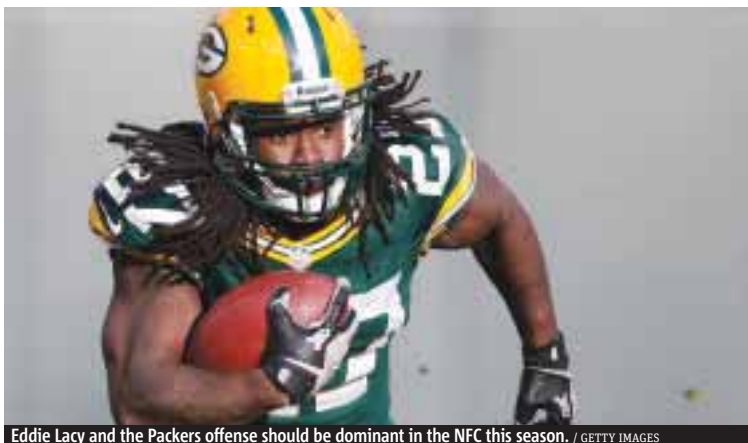
Find video and recap of Friday night's Giants-Jets preseason game at: Metro.us/sports.

2014 FANTASY FOOTBALL GUIDE: IT'S A NEW GAME

A "zero-RB" draft strategy worked to perfection last season. Owners who passed on tailback busts like Trent Richardson, C.J. Spiller and David Wilson laughed all the way to the bank as they rode wideouts Calvin Johnson and A.J. Green. So with the 2013 outcome as a back-drop, many are wondering if we're entering a new age in fantasy drafting — one where running backs take a backseat. Good idea? Nope.

Back to backs

Yes, running backs have the highest bust rates and get hurt the most. But they also have the most week-to-week consistency and are the scarcest position, which is why the first five names on my personal board (and seven of the top-12) are running backs.



Eddie Lacy and the Packers offense should be dominant in the NFC this season. / GETTY IMAGES

Local picks

- **Victor Cruz, WR, Giants:** He is an ideal fit for the Randall Cobb slot role in new offensive coordinator Ben McAdoo's West Coast scheme.
- **Eric Decker, WR, Jets:** Don't expect anything near Peyton Manning-inflated numbers, but Decker is Geno Smith's best hope.

Use your board

Now that we've established a lean toward running back, it doesn't mean we should stray from our board. The top two tiers of wideouts come with upside. I'm OK with emerging from the

first two rounds with zero RBs. We just need to be sure to get in on the Gio Bernard, Andre Ellington, Toby Gerhart types in Rounds 3-5.

Wait on QBs

Peyton Manning, Drew Brees and Aaron Rodgers are going to have great seasons. But they're not worth a first- or second-round pick when we can get Jay Cutler, Matt Ryan or Tony Romo in the ninth round. Quarterback is the deepest position in fantasy, we only start one of them a week and they sustain health better than the other positions.



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Top 5 QBs



1 Peyton Manning — Eric Decker is gone but Emmanuel Sanders and rookie Cody Latimer should be just fine.

2 Aaron Rodgers — When healthy, Rodgers has 4,000-yard passing years in his sleep. Don't worry about losing Ben McAdoo.

3 Drew Brees — Oh, about yards? Brees has put up three straight 5,000-yard seasons.

4 Matthew Stafford — Stafford has new offense weapons to work with like Golden Tate and rookie Eric Ebron.

5 Tom Brady — Look for a bounce-back year, stats-wise, for the 37-year-old.

Top positional busts

- Nick Foles, QB, Eagles
- Le'Veon Bell, RB, Steelers
- Pierre Garcon, WR, Redskins

Top positional steals

- Jay Cutler, QB, Bears
- Bernard Pierce, RB, Ravens
- Markus Wheaton, WR, Steelers



THE NICK FOLES HYPE OFF LAST SEASON IS OUT OF CONTROL.
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Top 10 overall

1 Adrian Peterson — Nope, it's not 2010. But he's still got it.

2 Jamaal Charles — Chiefs back can do it all.

3 LeSean McCoy — Shady can also do it all.

4 Matt Forte — Thriving under coach Marc Trestman.

5 Eddie Lacy — Could win you your league single-handedly.

6 Calvin Johnson — Twelve TDs and 1,492 yards in 2013.

7 Arian Foster — Banged up, but a risk still worth taking.

8 Jimmy Graham — He's clearly the best TE on the board.

9 Peyton Manning — He should be your first quarterback off the board.

10 Montee Ball — Should be huge upgrade over Knowshon Moreno.

Storylines to watch during Giants-Jets

NFL. The Giants are worried about their offense. The Jets can't stop anyone.

The Giants and Jets' annual preseason skirmish provided a massive storyline last year with the injury of Mark Sanchez.

It's unlikely we'll get the same sort of season-altering moment Friday (7:30 p.m., CBS2), but the starters should play into the second half. We break down what to watch.

KRISTIAN DYER and
MARK OSBORNE

Giants in gear

Giants head coach Tom Coughlin admitted after last week's offensive disaster against Indianapolis that time was running short to figure out the team's offensive woes.

That time would be Friday night, specifically.

Eli Manning will be playing into the second half, with all his first-team mates, and an actual offensive game plan has been installed. It better be the cure.



GENO SMITH IS 14-OF-19 FOR 131 YARDS, ONE INTERCEPTION AND A RUSHING TD IN PRESEASON.

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More Geno

As the Jets usually do under head coach Rex Ryan, the starters will play the entirety of the first half and into the second half.

The goal from the coaching staff is to try and replicate what the starters will see and experience on Week 1 of the regular season. Geno Smith, who appears to have a stranglehold on the QB competition, will start with Michael Vick getting the bulk of the second-half drives.

A little extra

This one means an extra little bit for the Jets, even if it is "just" a pre-season game. Playing against the crosstown rival gets this team up as the Giants are the team with a storied history, a full trophy case and the larger fan base.

It should be a hard-hitting, feisty affair. In other words, it is the only preseason game worth turning on the television for.



ADRIEN ROBINSON

Tight battle

Coughlin said Wednesday night end Adrien Robinson will earn more playing time after two big fourth-quarter catches against Indy. Starter is still up for grabs.

Still backed into a corner

No, the Jets haven't managed to solve their secondary issues in the span of a week. Frankly, they probably won't be able to before Dee Mil-

liner returns from a high ankle sprain presumably sometime early in the regular season.

The Antonio Allen experiment continues, with him playing corner for a second time. Ellis Lankster has looked good in practice though.

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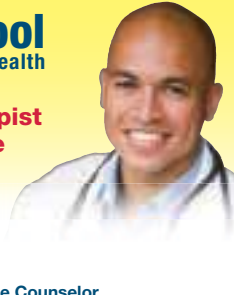


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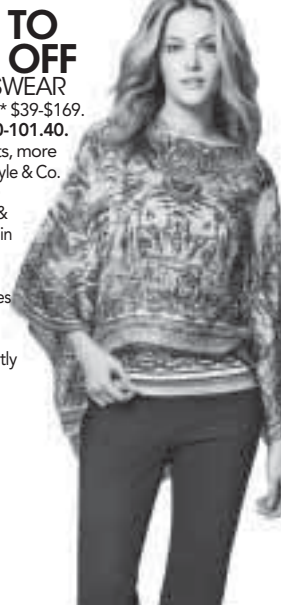
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